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Dear Sir:

This application is a national stage application of PCT/US99/16596 and restriction of the claims is governed by PCT Rule 13, Unity of Invention. The Examiner has identified twelve groups of claims. Applicants provisionally elect the group I invention (claims 1-4, 7-9, and 11-12) with traverse.

Applicants traverse the restriction requirement with respect to group I (claims 1-4, 7-9, 11-12) and groups III (claim 10), group IV (claim 13), group V (claim 14) and group VI (claim 15). Applicants refer the Examiner to the International Preliminary Examination Report in which Unity of Invention for claims 1-4 and 7-15 was established. Applicants submit that the Examiner has not shown that the determination of Unity of Invention during the International Preliminary Examination was not proper.

The Examiner has also required an election of species. Applicants elect major coat protein gpVIII of a phage. Applicants further elect a variant of a wild type major coat protein

with a substitution at amino acid position 17 of a serine with an isoleucine. Applicants further elect an antibody or fragment thereof as the heterologous protein. Applicants submit claims 1-4 and 7-8 read on the elected species of polypeptide.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative if prosecution may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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